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Regents apply 4 percent raise across board

BY WHALESONG STAFF

University faculty and staff will be receiving a 4 percent pay raise effective Sept. 24 thanks to a decision by the university's Board of Regents earlier this summer.

The regents, during their June 9 meeting voted to give the raise to all permanent part-time faculty, APT and classified employees who were working as of Jan. 1.

The regents had requested Gov. Steve Cowper to include in his Fiscal Year 1990 budget extra money that would have provided a raise for university employees. When Cowper neglected to fund the raise in his budget request to lawmakers the university then chose to lobby the legislature for money that would raise the salaries of only the classified employees.

After the legislature's decision not to fund a pay raise, the regents took action only after extensive discussion. Regents and administrators then agreed that a pay raise must be funded and that an increase in tuition would be necessary to offset a portion of the pay raise.

Eric Forrer, one of the two regents from Juneau, said, "The regents will be requesting additional funds from the state in order to offset the raise."

Until that request is approved the university will be forced to tighten its belt a little more, in addition to the revenue that will be raised by the tuition increase.

Local classified employee's President Joanna Loving-Bellya said, "There has been mixed reactions among the classified employees about the raise.

There is disappointment about the meager 4 percent as well as disappointment over who will actually be receiving the raise.

Assistant Director of Student Services Tish Griffin, an APT employee, who also received the raise said, "There were people more deserving. I'm happy to get the raise but the problem was with the classified employees. The university was losing classified employees to the state because of the pay discrepancy. It had been four years since their last raise; they really needed it.

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Media teams compete in bathtub race during UAS H₂O Rodeo at Auke Lake.

Whalesong staff photo

Roundup tops pledge goal

BY WHALESONG STAFF

On a picture-perfect day Aug. 26 several hundred students, faculty and community leaders turned out to cap the picture-perfect initial "Southeast Roundup," a three-week pledge drive to fund scholarships for the University of Alaska Southeast.

At the conclusion of the campus picnic, the "H₂O Rodeo," Dean of Institutional Advancement Mike Adams reported that the pledge drive had generated more than \$32,000 for

support of scholarships at UAS.

"It was really heart-warming to see the community far surpass the goal (of \$20,000). It was a real success," said UAS Chancellor Marshall Lind during the picnic.

Local media sales representatives, or "trail bosses," as they were dubbed, solicited pledges from local business people for a new scholarship program that will enable the university to offer financial incentives for Southeast Alaskan students to attend UAS.

"By combining in an effort to stem the talent flow to out-of-state institutions and to create a skilled and available workforce in Southeast, individuals and the business community demonstrated by their support that they are concerned about the future and the youth of the region," said UAS information specialist Greg Wagner, who helped organize the rodeo.

The fund-drive was co-sponsored by KJUD-TV, the Juneau Empire, KJNO/KTKU radio, Cooke Cable Vision and
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Tuition increased - more hikes to come

BY WHALESONG STAFF

A 4 percent pay raise for all permanent employees of the University of the Alaska caused the university's board of regents to raise tuition at all campuses of the university starting this semester.

President Donald O'Dowd said, "the tuition increase will in fact pay for only about 40 percent of the raise, \$1.5 million of the estimated \$4 million total cost. In defense of the across-the-board pay raise O'Dowd stated, "Eighty percent of the employees of the university have not received a raise since 1985."

At the three main campuses of the University of Alaska,

Juneau, Fairbanks, and Anchorage, there will be a tuition increase for undergraduate students from \$38 per credit hour to \$42 per credit hour, an 11 percent increase over last year. Cost of graduate credit hours rose from \$75 to \$85 per credit hour, a 13 percent increase.

The increase means that a full-time resident undergraduate student this semester is paying between \$48 to \$52 more or \$546 a year minus lab fees.

Undergraduate courses at the outreach institutions rose from \$30 to \$35 per credit hour, resulting in a 17 percent increase to students at those institutions. Non-resident graduate students will now pay \$170

per credit hour compared to \$150 per credit hour last year, an increase of 13 percent. Non-resident undergraduate students will be forced to pay \$114 per credit as opposed to \$105 per credit last year, an increase of 5 percent.

"The reality of our situation is that it is likely we will be requesting the (regents) to approve additional raises in tuition in the magnitude of \$3 to \$5 per credit, per year," O'Dowd said.

If O'Dowd's projections for the future become reality, a full-time student who is a resident may be paying as much as \$57 per credit hour or \$732 per semester minus lab fees.

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Student elections set for end of September

BY WHALESONG STAFF

This week Teresa Warren, Vice President of student government and chair of the elections committee announced that the fall elections for student government representatives and for the paid officer positions of secretary and treasurer will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday Sept. 26 and 27.

The officer positions of Secretary and Treasurer each will receive a stipend of \$500 per semester.

Blank petitions are available at the Student Government office (Room 207B) Mourant Building, the

Student Activities office, the Counseling Center, and at the School of Business at the Bill Ray Center. Petitions are due by 5p.m. Monday, Sept. 25.

According to the USUAS constitution each candidate is required to submit in person a petition containing the signature of 10 fellow students. Filing of the petition shall be either at the Counseling Center, the Bill Ray Center, the Student Activities Office or at the Student Government Office.

Additional information may be obtained from the Student Activities or Student Government offices.

Campus computer seminars offered

BY WHALESONG STAFF

If you feel intimidated by computers, the University of Alaska Southeast's computer lab is offering a series of seminars to help students and faculty brush up on their computer skills early in the fall semester.

Janice McLean, head of the computer center located in the Whitehead Building, said last week that the lab will be offering nearly three dozen special seminars between now and early October to help students master everything from basic word processing skills on Macintosh and IBM personal computers to learning how to use the university's computer network, the so-called VAX, for electronic mail.

"We'll be offering a series of classes for students, faculty and staff to help everyone get comfortable with the computers available on campus. We want to get people up and running on the various systems as quickly as possible," said McLean.

The seminar schedule includes:

-- Five seminars on word processing offering an introduction to the WordPerfect program for Macintosh computers. The dates are: from noon to 2 p.m. today, Sept. 15, in the lab located in Room 221

in the Whitehead Building on the Auke Lake campus; again from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 17, from 3 to 5 p.m. Sept. 22, from 3 to 5 p.m. Sept. 24 and from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 5. The seminar will include a review of using the WordPerfect program on the Macintosh and include help in creating documents, revising and formatting text, using the spelling checker, saving and printing documents.

-- Four seminars on word processing offering an introduction to WordPerfect on the IBM PC. The dates are: 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 at the lab, and again from 3 to 5 p.m. Sept. 26, from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sept. 28, and from noon to 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6. The course will cover use of IBM PC's and compatibles and cover creating documents, moving and revising text, using the spelling checker and thesaurus, printing and learning how to learn more on your own.

-- A series of four advanced seminars on using WordPerfect on the IBM will be held providing information on advanced features from outlining, columns, fonts, graphics, footnotes and use of macros. The first of the series is set for 4 to 6 p.m. Sept. 27 at the lab, with other programs set for 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 4, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 8 and 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 9.

-- Students can learn about how to use the VAX and Electronic Mail systems during four seminars planned starting this weekend. The first session will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the lab with other sessions set for noon to 1:30 p.m. Sept. 18 at the lab, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 21 at Room 230 in the Bill Ray Center downtown and again from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Sept. 27 at the lab.

-- Two seminars as an introduction to the VAX for programming students are set for 8 to 10 p.m. Sept. 19 at the lab; the seminar being repeated from 3 to 5 p.m. Sept. 21 at the Ray center.

-- Three seminars for students interested in learning more about the basic computer language, or the DOS system,

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with special excitement that I approach this fall semester of '89. I am sure that the long summer days of commercial fishing have contributed to my desire to be back in the academia world.

I guess I feel like fast Eddie in "THE COLOR OF MONEY" when he said, "I'm back, and it feels good!"

Monday, Sept. 11 was my first day back on campus and it was great to see the old familiar faces from years past, in addition to the new ones that have traveled here from distant places. I was stunned and overwhelmed to find out how far behind one could get in just one week.

This year student government has a budget of over \$90,000 to work with, and would certainly welcome your input at the regularly scheduled meetings as we plan student activities, services and events for students.

As indicated by the USUAS constitution all students enrolled in at least 3 credits may be members of the organization. It is a great way to meet people and develop lasting friendships, in addition to the opportunities one has to work with committees, budgets, professors as well as

administrators.

The experiences and education that I have received from my involvement in student government over the last two years have greatly surpassed that which has been available from the class room. I have found it well worth the time and commitment that I have put forth.

As you begin this year, get involved. It doesn't matter whether it's the Whalesong, student government or some other organization. When you give something of yourself you can't help but grow, and that's why we are all here.

As Robert Frost so eloquently wrote, "Two roads diverged into a wood, and I took the one less traveled by and that has made all the difference."

So, you too have a choice. Which road will you take?

Respectfully,

Dutch Knight

Dutch Knight
USUAS President



will start later this month. The first will run from 10:30 p.m. to midnight Sept. 29 at the lab, with others slated for 8 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 2 and from noon to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 11.

-- The final set of seminars will be on PortaCom, an electronic conferencing and mail system developed at Stockholm University. The series will run from noon to

1:30 p.m. Sept. 25 at the lab, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 30, from 10 to 11:30 p.m. Oct. 4, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Oct. 7 and from noon to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 13, the last seminar being held at the Ray Center.

The lab this year will be open on the same schedule as the library, meaning the addition of several extra hours at night.

McLean said the lab will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays and from 1 to 5 p.m. weekends.

"We think the extra time will be really useful to the students," said McLean. More on the schedule can be obtained by stopping by the lab or calling 789-4521.

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Letters to the editor are welcome. All letters must be signed to be considered for publication. Letters that are published may be edited for style and/or brevity.



Noyes family funds \$10,000 scholarship at UAS

BY WHALESONG STAFF

The University of Alaska Southeast has a new scholarship thanks to Lily Noyes.

Noyes, of Minneapolis, Minn., earlier this summer donated \$10,000 to the university to establish the John Rutherford Noyes Endowed

Scholarship in memory of her late husband. The earnings from the scholarship account will benefit students attending UAS.

John Noyes, who was born on April 5, 1902 in Oneida, N.Y., was a West Point graduate who served during World War II in both North

Africa and Europe. After the war Noyes wrote several books on transportation and served as Alaska's commissioner of roads.

He took over as adjutant general of the Alaska National Guard in 1953 and served in the position until his death in a plane crash near Nome on Jan.

30, 1956.

Greg Wagner, public information specialist at UAS, said that the scholarship will be awarded annually starting in 1990 to full-time students attending UAS who are majoring in science or education.

Accreditation evaluation team to visit campus

BY WHALESONG STAFF

The University of Alaska Southeast will be evaluated for reaffirmation of accredited status by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges during an on-site review process this month.

The former community colleges of Ketchikan and Islands (at Sitka) received accreditation in 1983-84, as did the University of Alaska

Juneau.

Following restructuring, which merged the two Southeast community colleges with UAJ to become the University of Alaska Southeast, the institution is seeking reaffirmation of accredited status as UAS.

Accreditation is a process of recognizing educational institutions for performance, integrity and quality at levels that entitle them to the confidence of the educational

community and the public.

The accrediting process requires institutions and programs to examine their own goals, operations and achievements. Following self-study, a visiting team from the accrediting body offers criticism and suggestions. Finally, the association makes specific recommendations to the institution that is seeking accreditation.

Dr. Robbie Stell, special

assistant to the chancellor for academic affairs, is chair of the UAS Accreditation Steering Committee, which planned and directed the self-study process. She is also serving as the accreditation liaison officer.

According to Stell, six members of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges' evaluation team will arrive in Ketchikan Sept. 24, and will spend the following day on campus. They will then go

to Sitka to be on campus all day Tuesday the 26th. From there they will head to Juneau to join

another group of six to work Wednesday and Thursday on the Juneau campus.

The evaluation team will meet with groups on each campus to discuss all aspects of the institution. The exit interview will be at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 at room 205 in the Hendrickson Building.

Whalesong in need of student participation

BY WHALESONG STAFF

The University of Alaska Southeast's student newspaper that you are reading, the Whalesong, needs you.

As the paper starts its ninth year, because of graduation of a number of the paper's staff last spring, the publication is critically short of people to write, sell ads and produce the bi-weekly publication.

The paper, which is funded to the tune of about \$8,000 a year by the United Students of the University of Alaska Southeast, and paid for from the advertising revenues that it generates, is controlled by a

student editor who is totally responsible for the editorial content.

Acting editor Dutch Knight said this week that the Whalesong is looking for either students who formally want to register for the Journalism Department's newspaper practicum course, Journalism 294, 394 or 494, or students who without formal registration for credit, wish to write articles for the paper. Knight added the publication is also looking for students who wish to work in advertising, selling, laying out and type-setting advertisements to go into the paper, and for students to help with typing,

paste-up, production and distribution of the newspaper.

The Whalesong, which is printed on Thursdays and distributed on Fridays, is generally available at all of the Juneau campuses and at other locations around town.

The university's placement office is currently advertising for students to apply as the editor of the paper for the 1989-90 school term. The job, which pays a stipend of \$1,000 per semester, requires that students have completed or be taking Journalism classes 101 or 194, 294, 394 or 494 and be competent in journalistic writing, grammar, English

composition and also familiar with the Macintosh computers that the Whalesong uses. Applicants should also be knowledgeable about the operation of the university.

The student editor, Knight said, is responsible for developing story ideas for the paper and for assigning and supervising the writing of such stories by either people in the practicum class or by students or faculty in the university at large.

Complete information on the job is available from the university's personnel office in the Mourant Building. Applications for the editor's

position must be submitted by Sept. 29.

The Whalesong is produced by the student staff on Wednesday nights.

Students can submit "Unclassifieds" for publication in the paper free of charge. A nominal fee is charged to anyone else to run an add in the paper's ad section. The deadline for submittal is the Monday before publication. People wishing to place ads can stop by the Whalesong Office in the Mourant Building to pick up an ad form.

Information on the paper is available by calling the paper at 789-4434.

Salvaged summer session proves successful

BY WHALESONG STAFF

Summer school at the University of Alaska Southeast, which was saved from the threat of cancellation, proved to be an incredible success, said Jean Linthwaite, summer session coordinator.

The administration at UAS had announced during the fall semester of '88 that summer course offerings, except for the native arts courses and graduate education courses, would be

discontinued due to budget constraints.

A grass roots petition campaign and a survey administered by student government encouraged the administration to offer some general education courses with the requirement that 15 students enroll for each class or the class would be canceled.

There were 23 courses offered during the June session, with five cancellations due to inadequate enrollment. In July

there were 17 courses offered, with three cancellations.

Financial recovery in June, from tuition alone, was 75 percent and in July it was 63 percent.

"General Fund appropriations should cover the additional expenditures not covered by tuition," said Linthwaite.

"We did exceptionally well considering the schedule was offered at such a late date," said Linthwaite.

Linthwaite also noted that

the advertising of the summer sessions played a critical part in attracting students.

John Pugh, dean of the school of education, indicated that the 1990 summer schedule will be available before the end of the fall semester.

"We'll be offering essentially the same courses as last summer with the additions of Physical Geology, Education 430, and a business course or two," said Pugh.

Good turnout reported for semester dance and annual Alumni Picnic: Nearly 200 students and faculty were on hand Sept. 8 for the kickoff social of the fall semester, a dance inaugurating the opening of the new University of Alaska Southeast library.

Another 160 students were on hand the next day for the third annual Alumni Picnic held at Sandy Beach in Douglas.

The dance was co-sponsored by student government and the Student Activities Office.

UNCLASSIFIEDS

Unclassifieds are free advertisements to all UAS students. A nominal fee is charged to anyone else wishing to run an ad. Deadline for submittal is the Monday before publication. To place an ad stop by the Whalesong office in the Mourant Building, off the cafeteria to fill out an ad form or drop the ad in the envelope on the paper's office door. For more information call 789-4434.

WANTED TO BUY: Stationary exercise bike and boy's bicycle. Call Lillabelle Holt, ext. 789-4429, or visit Room 211 Hendrickson Building.

NIGHT AUDITOR: Full and part-

time. Flexible schedule. Bookkeeping experience required. Apply in person, Super 8 Motel.

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The United Students of the University of Alaska Southeast

(UAS Student Government)

FALL 1989 MEETING SCHEDULE:

September 15	November 17
October 6	December 1
October 20	December 15
November 3	

Meetings are held in the Mourant building room 205 at 3:30 pm.

Respite Training Program

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Thursday October 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 6:45 pm.

To register call Chris or Mary at REACH 789-7673.

BRIEFLY

Student government to hold first meeting today: The United Students of the University of Alaska Southeast, the student government

association for UAS, will hold its first meeting of the fall semester starting at 3:30 p.m. today in the Quiet Study Room of the Mourant Building.

Rodeo...

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KINY/KSUP radio. The steering committee of the drive is slated to meet today to determine how to distribute the scholarship funds and establish the criteria for awarding the scholarships.

During the rodeo activities featured competitions among media teams in kayak, canoe and

Pay raise..

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UAS Chancellor Marshall Lind was the only administrator who suggested that the regents deal solely with the issue of a raise for the classified employees. The other administrators present insisted that the raise be across the board.

Another university employee who asked to remain anonymous said she felt like the faculty and APT employees had piggy-backed on the hard work and accomplishments of the classified staff.

Tuition...

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O'Dowd defended the tuition raises saying nationally tuition has increased at an average rate of 7 percent annually, while the University of Alaska has not experienced a raise since the fall of 1986.

bathtub races. In the finals of the kayak race, the Empire-KTOO radio-TV team of Chuck Kleeschulte and Scott Foster defeated Kluane Ivy and Steve Jones who represented KJNO radio. In the canoe finals, KJUD's Mary Comolli and Mike Allison defeated the exhausted team of Jones and Ivy of KJNO.

The bathtub race feature an all-radio finals with KJNO led by Dave Lowther and Jean Crawford narrowly edging Katy Diamond and Guy James from KINY. The picnic was capped by music provided by M&M Music featuring the band "Knightriders," and the "Dawgs." Food and beverages were furnished by Foodland, Super Bear, Shop 'n Kart, Price Plus, Fred Meyers, Coke and Pepsi.

During a break the winning tickets for the Athletics Fundraising Raffle were drawn with John Farnan and Cleveland Burley winning the grand prize trips courtesy of Alaska Airlines to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, while Craig Hamada captured the \$5,000 consolation prize. Multiple Listing Service won the trip to the Kay El Bar dude ranch in Wickenburg, Ariz.

The scholarship drive is expected to become an annual event.

Student government President Dutch Knight said the get-acquainted session will involve a review of campus activities during the summer, the appointment of new committees for the term and a review of university progress on accreditation and the operation of the bookstore, besides other issues.

Knight said that Mike Adams, the dean of graduate students, will also speak concerning a proposal that student government match a \$5,000 community contribution to set up a revolving loan fund for needy students.

All students are invited to the meeting.

Concert, picnic planned at UAS: The university's Student Activities office is sponsoring a concert by artists Eric Tingstad and Nancy Rumbel. They will perform starting at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 at the Juneau-Douglas High School auditorium.

Tingstad, an expert in New Age music, so-called Space Jazz, performs on the acoustic guitar. His music ranges from classical to folk and from jazz to Celtic settings.

Rumbel, who has played from mountain tops to Carnegie Hall and the U.S. Capitol, performs on the oboe. A graduate of Northwestern University she will lend color to the concert entitled, "New Age Trends."

Tickets for the concert, costing \$4 for UAS full-time students, enrolled and taking more than nine credit hours, will cost \$8 for other students, \$10 in advance for the public and \$12 at the door. Tickets are still available from the UAS cashier's office or from Hearthside Books.

Tickets will be available at the door.

Meanwhile student government and student activities is planning a series of Day at the Lake activities for Saturday, Sept. 23.

During the day a barbecue will be held, including kayak races and instruction. A softball game will also be held during the picnic that will take place in the parking lot near the annex building on the Auke Lake campus. All students are invited.

University seeks candidates for honorary degrees next spring: A university faculty committee is already at work seeking recommendations for candidates to receive honorary degrees and meritorious service awards at the University of Alaska Southeast's 1990 Commencement exercises in Juneau, Ketchikan and Sitka.

The recommendations are being sought by the UAS Honorary Awards Committee headed by Prof. Wally Olson. Any recommendations will be forwarded to Chancellor Marshall Lind who would then forward nominations to the university's Board of Regents who will make the final selections during its annual December meeting. The awards will be conferred in May.

To contact Olson call 789-4417.

Public Lecture on "Moral issues in Oriental Thought" planned: Dr. Alexander Borzin, who specializes in Buddhism, Chinese and Indian philosophy, will hold a public lecture at Room 153 of the Bill Ray Center on Sept. 25 at 7 p.m.

Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation: UAS sophomores seeking a career in government services should apply by Dec. 1, 1989. Contact Barbara Carlson-Burnett at 789-4463.

Free Legal Lecture planned: The Alaska Bar Association in conjunction with the Alaska Pro Bono Program is offering a lecture on small claims issues from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 26 at the Miller Room at Centennial Hall. The program will be presented by Buck Lindekugle, a Juneau attorney.

Alumni Board meeting set: The University of Alaska Alumni Association Board will meet at noon Sept 21 at the Tongass Suite of the Westmark Hotel downtown.

For reservations for the luncheon call Zrinka at 789-4525.

KTOO seeks video entries: Juneau's public television station KTOO-TV is seeking entries for the 3rd annual Southeast Alaska Home Video & Film Competition. The entries may be submitted on Beta, VHS, 8mm video, Super 8 mm or 16 mm film.

The competition is open to all ages and winning entries will be shown on KTOO-TV in December. The deadline for entries is Sept. 29.

To pick up an entry packet call KTOO at 586-1670 or write to the station at 224 4th St., Juneau, 99801.

Faculty reminded that university will participate in early retirement program: Members of the faculty and other employees of the university system were reminded last week that the university's board of regents decided in June that the university would participate in the state's retirement incentive program (RIP).

Under the program, passed by lawmakers in May, university employees can receive three years of credit toward retirement. That means that employees can retire if they are 47 and are in the Teachers Retirement System or have 17 years of service credit, or if you are less than 47

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Tickets available at the UAS cashier
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\$10.00 - advance at Hearthside

\$12.00 - at the door

Call 789-4528 for information.

